

American League Rules Committee Takes Up Recommendation to End the Pop-Fly Homer

Johnson Circuit Votes \$50,000 Fund to Aid Disabled Players

Major League Meetings Completed With Nothing Important in the Way of Trades; Moguls Merely Warmed Up for Joint Session To Be Held To-day

By John Kieran

The plague of baseball meetings continues on its devastating course. The National League sat in solemn congress from 2 o'clock to 4 at the Waldorf, and where they left off the American League began. The session of the junior circuit lasted until an indignation meeting of outraged baseball scribes thundered on the door at 8 p. m. at the Hotel Belmont, seventh floor back, and threatened the gathering with a complete lack of publicity unless matters came to a sudden conclusion. That got them.

It took six hours or more for the moguls of the two leagues to decide such weighty points as committee appointments, whether traveling players should have an extra pair of socks or an additional cap, whether rubber bottles or paper cups should be used for soft drinks at league parks in order to avert such dastardly acts as that of Whitley Witt in maliciously stepping on the present style of glassware used in serving soft drinks and thus spiking himself on the forehead and that club asking waiters should be compelled to do something or other within forty-eight hours, while other clubs claiming said player will be compelled to do something else.

It was all very solemn and unimportant to the boys in the bleachers. The lads who shout out "hit it" or "foul" or the other fellow's name are more interested in the fact that Miller Huggins announces "nothing doing on that Chicago business yet. Absolutely not. Looks now as if we were as far apart as the Old South and prohibition." The National League won the verdict of the suffering bystanders. It settled its little routine in a mere matter of two hours, but the American League might have gone right on burning kerosene and electric light until death did them part if they had not been summoned to justice in a peremptory manner.

The few trades that developed during the afternoon did not affect any of the local clubs. Miller Huggins and Colonel Ruppert, flanked by Ed Barrow and Bob Conner, were seen sitting amicably at lunch with the Chicago delegation, just as though each side was not endeavoring to take the other's back in a baseball way. It was a fine lunch, but nothing came of it but the check, which Colonel Ruppert may save as a memento of the time he nearly had Eddie Collins.

Few Trades Develop

However, the moguls had not projected to the go-ahead diplomatic relations have been broken off. The boys still speak as they pass. Huggins is ever ready to say to Kid Gleason: "For a fat guy you've got the kid mean way of trading." "Think I want to trade my ball players for a couple of outlanders?" This argument will be continued as long as both gentlemen remain in the immediate vicinity. "I expected you to get something from baseball," "Nothing may eventuate whatever."

The National League moguls discussed the barnstorming rule, the inclusion of Judge Landis in the umpire committee, the raising of the salary limit in the world's series instead of a split on the gate receipts, the raising of the season for inter-league trades and the question of the future of the league. A mail vote. Not a thing was done on any of these points. The "moguls" were just warming up on the topics of the day. The "moguls" were just warming up on the topics of the day. The "moguls" were just warming up on the topics of the day.

The board of directors for the coming year is set in stone. William F. Ryan, Sam Bronfman and Harry Harniman, Bob Emme has been appointed as "advisor to the president" and will not be called upon to officiate at the mask and ball and accept legal holiday and makeable feast days on the Gregorian calendar. John R. Day, C. K. McVey, Joe Flannery and Mrs. William Johnson were voted members of various lines to help them out of financial difficulties.

Navy Re-elected

The American League decided that each team shall have two home uniforms, and extra rose equipment in the shape of socks, caps, gloves, shoes, etc., to be worn by the players. The new uniforms will be worn by the players. The new uniforms will be worn by the players.

No Field Goal Scored by Foe As Army Beats St. John's, 66-5

WEST POINT, N. Y., Dec. 13.—Once more accomplishing the remarkable feat unique in college basketball annals of preventing their opponents from scoring a single field goal, Army's speedy court five buried St. John's College of Brooklyn, under a 66 to 5 score to-day.

On Saturday last Army overwhelmed Trinity and did not allow a single basket. St. John's to-day, with a faster combination than Trinity, was no more successful in netting goals from scrimmage.

The game was one-sided throughout, the first half ending 32 to 1 in Army's favor. But interest in the final period centered around the probability of St. John's finally coming through with a field goal, and the visiting collegians shot desperately from every angle and from far down the court in their efforts to break the spell.

In the two games thus far played Army has scored 119 points and their opponents thirteen, the latter all from the four line. Rooma and Vichulev starred for Army to-day.

Portuguese Champ to Wrestle

A new foreign wrestling champion will make his American debut next Wednesday at the Commonwealth S. C., Fifth Avenue and 136th Street. The newcomer is Justina da Silva, the heavyweight champion of Portugal, and his opponent in the final match will be Wladek Zysko, the American titleholder among the big fellows.

Vermont Quintet Ready

BURLINGTON, Vt., Dec. 13.—The first game on the University of Vermont basketball schedule will be played in this city next Saturday night, when McGill University will meet the Vermont quintet on the latter's court. The Vermont team has been practicing for three weeks under the direction of Coach Tom Keady.

Five-Mile Run Sunday

The third American Distance Runners Association's five-mile point trophy run will be held Sunday at 3 p. m. from "The Long Island Daily Star" office, at Queensboro Plaza.

Oh, Man!



Navy Vanquishes West Maryland Quintet, 41 to 10

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 13.—Playing the second game of the season, the Naval Academy won here to-day from Western Maryland by 41 to 10. The Navy was slow in starting, the visitors getting the first four points through field goals by Stanley and Davis, but played a fast and clever game after striking its stride.

Deible Will Captain Lafayette '23 Eleven

EASTON, Pa., Dec. 13.—Arthur Deible, of Clinton, Ohio, was unanimously elected captain of the 1933 Lafayette football team to-night just before the banquet tendered to the entire football squad. The new captain is a member of the junior class. He has played a stellar part in the Lafayette line for three years and is considered as one of the best tackles in the East.

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The Line-Up

Pos. Army (65) St. John's (5)
L. F. Vichulev... T. R. Keenan
R. F. Rooma... G. Keenan
C. F. Debes... R. Keenan
L. G. Forber... R. Keenan

Charles Hans Bents Burk

Only one game was played yesterday in the New York State Amateur three-cushion championship billiard tournament at the Recreational Academy, Brooklyn. Charles Hans defeated H. L. Burk by a score of 30 to 21 in sixty innings. Hans had a high run of 4 and Burk's best effort was a cluster of three.

Harvard Wins Hockey Game

Five-Mile Run Sunday

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"Battling" Siki

He rose in one great flash to fame, And then amid the hum He fell like old Doc Lucifer— And that is falling some.

Hornby and Wagner

What chance has Hornby to overtake and pass Hans Wagner's lifetime record in the National League? Wagner, playing for twenty years, finished with a grand average of .328. He hit 300 or better for seventeen consecutive years and was still a major leaguer at the age of forty-three.

Coming In

Lafayette is coming into line with the three-year, non-freshman rule next fall, and it is only a matter of time now when the entire group will be in on the same eligibility basis.

The Duffer Responds

I am a duffer—I speak with pride, And please don't think that I have lied. If I get a 9 in place of a 3 The whole day isn't spoiled for me. If I get in a trap and can't escape I throw it out, without red tape. I don't expect an awful lot, And so I'm disappointed not. Just two lone pears will bring me joy, The while I whisper "Attoboy!" And yet in spite of scores I've done I get an awful lot of fun.

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Fordham Quintet Gets Victory Over Cathedral, 37 to 26

Fordham opened its basketball season auspiciously last night with a victory over the Cathedral College quintet at the Maroon home court, Manhattan Casino, by the score of 37 to 26. A good sized crowd was on hand for the game, and was greatly impressed with the showing of the Fordham combination, which showed up particularly well on the offensive.

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Macomber Shows Keen Regard For Thoroughbred Improvement

Friday's Sales at Durland's Fine Tribute to Unselfishness; Horsemen and Ballmen Meet on Fair Field of Our Hotel Corridors; Stallings Hits Bullseye

By W. J. Macbeth

When the final list of America's ginger-blue sportmen is struck the name of A. K. Macomber, of California, will not be wanting. This country has never produced a gamer or a more patriotic citizen. In the matter of this world's goods Mr. Macomber is blessed beyond the average dream of avarice, and yet he is the soul of generosity.

Some few years ago Mr. Macomber, who had had some experience in a small way with the trotters, decided to go into the thoroughbred industry. His motive principally was one of friendship for Walter Jennings, the veteran trainer.

No man ever experienced greater ill fortune as a beginner. He bought of the best. But his horses failed to fulfill cherished hopes. They went wrong; they took sick; they broke down. More than a year and a half he waited to see his colors come down in front for the first time.

But once his hand was to the plough A. K. Macomber never looked back. He realized in a large way on the indomitable courage of this man who in the face of all obstacles, kept grimly on until he had attained his purpose; a man who found in the sternest fields of Europe that turf fame denied him here at first; a man who paid more than a million dollars for the W. K. Vanderbilt breeding establishment in France.

On Friday night at Durland's Riding Academy there will be put up at auction some thirty young brood mares of the eminent blood of England and France. These represent the finest consignment ever shipped to America. They are to be sold without reserve. The consignment comes from Mr. Macomber's breeding establishment abroad. This gentleman might—and undoubtedly would—have realized greater revenues by disposing of the mares abroad. His patriotism and deep interest in the improvement of the American thoroughbred alone prompted the sacrifice.

It is sincerely to be hoped that American breeders here for the big sale will show due appreciation.

John E. Madden, the wizard of thoroughbred breeders and David Harum of salesmen, in town for the A. K. Macomber sales, drifted into the Belmont Hotel yesterday afternoon with Maxie Hirsch, while the "fleet" was hanging round for the American League meeting to adjourn.

"Every hotel has its convention today; what's the racket here?" he asked Joe Kelly, scout of the Yankees.

"Ball meeting," said Joe. "Well I'm damned," exploded Madden. "That's what they told me at the Waldorf and at the Commodore. But—after appraising the crowd standing around—if they are really baseball people as you say, they appear no dirtier than horsemen."

The owner of Hamburg Place is celebrated from coast to coast as a "kicker." His most intimate friends never know when to take him seriously, and especially so when he hands out information on his own thoroughbred at the tracks. He usually hides out behind a tree when he cuts a melon.

"There's only one or two sports that require the application of nerve, daring and absolutely co-ordination of eye, mind and muscle. Baseball is one, hardy yard sprinting is another."

"It takes a good man to ride a horse," suggested Kelly. "Ah, no, there's no hitting below the belt. I was talking of HONEST sports!"

And, as he ducked around a marble pillar, Madden laughed back over his shoulder: "Remember the world's series of 1919, Joe?"

George T. Stallings, one of the many ex-managers of the Yankees, who now directs the destinies of the Rochester club of the International League, is a famous planter of the South. His broad cotton acres and timberlands stretch out for miles around Haddock, Ga.

The Big Chief, as he is familiarly known among his intimates, has a hobby for gunning and devotes much of his leisure moments of the winter following a brace of champion pointers. Stallings is a wonderful host, a charming raconteur and a consummate mate.

Well, as we were saying, George is here with the big meeting, and at the Waldorf yesterday afternoon was drumming up a party of his old New York cronies to visit him over the holidays.

"Have you any quail down there?" "Quail! Millions of them. Say, I was out the other afternoon for a few hours, and though I kill only one in

about every two shots, I brought in thirty-eight birds."

Jack Dunn, owner of the Orioles and champion wing shot of Maryland, who was within earshot of the Stallings party, sidled over as George moved away.

"Say, boys," he whispered behind the departing brood's back. Don't ever tell me Stallings is a curly wolf; he's a lion—just plain lion."

Pitcher Carlson Would Become a "Wet"

BARNEY DREYFUS wins the tissue paper trophy for his application to the assembled National League moguls to have Harold Carlson made a spitball pitcher by act of legislature. It seems that Hal started out in life as a wet ball flinger, but turned square. Nowadays he's having a tough time carrying them past the batters, and his merry mugshot thinks that a little legal saliva would help him along in the trade. The Hon. E. Dreyfus has little chance against the dry crusade in major league baseball.

Satisfaction

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